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Charlie RICCI et al.) Group Art Unit: 1617
Application No.: 09/954,789) Examiner: Shanham J. Sharareh
Filed: September 12, 2001) Confirmation No.: 8809
For: METHODS FOR TREATING)
ENDOLEAKS DURING)
ENDOVASCULAR REPAIR OF)
ABDOMINAL AORTIC)
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REPLY AND AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.112

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Reply and Amendment is in complete response to the Official Action mailed on March 13, 2002 (Paper Number Unknown). A petition requesting a 1 month extension of time accompanies this response which is being filed on or before its now current due date of July 15, 2002 (July 13 being a Saturday). In response to this Official Action, entry of the following amendments is earnestly solicited.

In the Claims:

Please amend Claim 16 to read as follows:

16. (Amended) A kits of parts for use in sealing endoleaks arising from endovascular repair of an aneurysm which comprises:
- (a) a fluid composition which forms a coherent mass in the presence of blood which mass adheres to the vascular surface and/or the surface of the endovascular